

I oppose loosening the rules designed to promote and protect diversity of media ownership. These rules were adopted to ensure that the public would receive a diverse range of viewpoints from the media, and not simply the opinions of a handful of media conglomerates.

I have grown increasingly distrustful of information provided by the major media outlets over the past several years. Even much of the content of public radio and T.V. has become suspect. After reading "Rich Media Poor Democracy" by Robert McChesney, I now understand why and how this condition has evolved. I am fortunate in my area that I can hear three Public Radio stations, one of which gives me detailed reporting on the many issues and activities that are of grave concern. The reason for this letter is one of them.